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Waterworks Scheme Deferred

Parks and Sidewalks to be Gone on With Public Meeting Ratepayers Tuesday

At about quarter past eight only a small knot of Councilors and one or two ratepayers were gathered around the entrance to the town Hall and some of them were bewailing the lethargy of the ratepayers in attending meetings when public matters were under discussion. However, it turned out to be only another illustration of the customary habit Strathmore people have of turning up about an hour later than the hour of commencing is advertised, and about nine o'clock there were between thirty and forty ratepayers present.

WHAT THE MAYOR THOUGHT Mayor Lambert, in opening, said that this meeting of ratepayers had been called to get the point of view of the ratepayers with regard to the proposed water scheme, and to give them the figures in connection with it. He had hoped to have seen a larger turnout but the present attendance could be taken as representative. If those present were in favor of the water scheme the Council would have a bylaw prepared and put it before a vote of the ratepayers, if they did not the matter would be dropped for the present. For himself he was in favor of the water scheme, but wanted to get the figures before the ratepayers. Some time before a report had been presented by the City Engineering Co. at the request of the town, showing levels of the town, and three attractive schemes of supplying water to the town. The scheme the Council was in favor of was estimated to cost \$50,000. This money would have to be raised by debentures over a period of twenty years, which with the interest would amount to \$300,000 per year. This would mean a rate of 15 mills. Other taxes the ratepayers would have to pay, exclusive of any projected park or sidewalk schemes, would be 8 mills for school rates. Ordinary running expenses of the town would mean a rate of 20 mills. The cost of maintaining and operating the water system, as estimated by the public works committee, would be \$6000 per year, or 35 mills. This would make a total tax rate of 28 mills, or \$7.80 on each \$100 assessment. This was without adding the park, the town's proportion of which would be \$1,000, and sidewalks, which would cost at least \$6000.

EFFECT OF THE SINGLE TAX This year the assessment could only be raised on land, not on property or goods, and this cut down the amount of assessment. They could raise roughly speaking on the land half the amount they could raise on property. The total assessment last year for schools and town was 21 mills. It had to be remembered, however, that as taxes could not now be raised on buildings or goods, owners of property would pay somewhat less than in the past, and more taxes would fall on vacant lots. Taking land as a basis last year's assessment would have been 40 mills instead of 23, and the water scheme without any other improvements would mean 35 mills extra.

STRATHMORE'S PECULIAR POSITION It might be asked why Strathmore was not able to do the same as Gleichen or other towns of similar size which had gone in for water systems. The main trouble was that in Strathmore 40 percent of the land was owned by the C.P.R., and therefore non-assessable. When forty percent of the land was taken off the land and all the improvements also, as the new single tax compelled the Council to do, it cut down their available assessments. Much as he would like to see the water scheme adopted his honest opinion was that it was not yet ripe for it. They decided to go in for it, he would do all in his power to push it forward.

HIGH ESTIMATE OF OPERATION Councilor McCulloch stated the cause of the decrease of assessable property in the same terms as the Mayor. He figured out the cost of maintaining and operating the water scheme at \$7160 per year, and this was how he arrived at it. \$1500 for an engineer and \$1000 for an assistant, \$500 for four laborers. Coal and other expenses would bring the cost up to the figure he had stated. This was much more than all the other engines of the town put together, and it would mean that the town could not undertake any other improvement schemes. Then again within a year

it was probable that they would have natural gas in the town, and he did see the idea of spending money on an expensive steam plant now. For these reasons, if for no others, he thought they should hold the whole scheme over for a time.

A "NONSENSICAL" REPORT Mr. G. T. Berry followed, and made some rather caustic remarks on Councilor McCulloch's report, which he characterized as a very poor one. It showed nothing whatever for revenue, and the operating expenses were away too high. Pincher Creek, where he came from to Strathmore, was a town of 1500 population. They had a good system of waterworks, and the whole system was run by one engineer and laborer. Councilor McCulloch, instead of taking his information from Calgary water system twenty years ago, should have taken it from some of the towns operating water systems at the present time.

GLEICHEN'S EXPERIENCE Councilor Clemens said that until he went to Gleichen during the previous week he had been in favor of the water scheme but after Gleichen's experience he thought that Strathmore should have nothing to do with the present scheme. Gleichen got an estimate from the same company that had supplied Strathmore with theirs of \$31,000 as the cost of a water scheme. They had really spent \$5,000 more than that amount, and now they wanted \$20,000 more. They had a plant and well put in, but they said the well could be pumped dry in ten minutes. Their revenue could not begin to cover their expenses, and they could not get enough money to finish the scheme properly.

Mr. Berry said that Strathmore had the C.P.R. buildings east of the town, which would be a big source of revenue.

Mr. Nelson said he thought, like Mr. Berry, that the report was a very poor one. He did not see, either, why in the past there had been so much expenditure and so little to show for it. The proposed system would comply with the underwriters requirements for reduced insurance, and on being informed that it would not unless there was a storage capacity of 250,000 gallons, said he did not see the benefit of paying \$36,000 for drinking water. A system that would not provide adequate fire protection was not worth \$36,000, let alone \$36,000.

Mr. Vickery asked if it was compulsory to put the water in their houses, and was informed no.

Mr. F. R. Lilly said he was not in favor of the whole project, but thought it would be a good scheme for fire protection if a well was sunk near the Fire Hall with an elevated tank in connection, and a line of hose sufficient to reach the business section of the town.

SCHEME TURNED DOWN On the motion of Mr. Berry a vote was taken as to proceeding with the water scheme as proposed. Only three voted in favor of proceeding with the scheme, while fifteen voted against.

Park to be Pushed Ahead The following letter was read from Mr. J. S. Dennis, head of the Natural Resources Department of the C.P.R., with reference to the proposed park.

Calgary, April 26, 1912.
Dear Sir:—Referring to your letter of the 14th inst. regarding the matter of the park at Strathmore.

I beg to say that last year we endeavored to initiate the same project in the improvement of this park, and at that time we proposed that

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Strathmore Farmer Loses Nine Horses

BARN BURNS

Fire on Sunday did big damage on Sunday, 31st inst. at the farm of Mr. O. F. Snow, some miles east of Strathmore, destroying nine valuable horses, the barn in which they were kept, also harness and other effects, and about thirty chickens. There being so much straw and inflammable material in the barn, although Mr. Snow was only away from the barn a few minutes and had just got down to supper when the alarm was given, the fire had made such headway that it was impossible to get inside. Much sympathy is expressed with Mr. Snow in the misfortune which has befallen him almost at the worst possible time, when he needed every animal for seeding his crop. An unfortunate feature is that he had insurance which carried him up to April 24, but he had neglected to renew at the date when the policy expired.

This is the second farmer to suffer serious injury by fire this spring. Mr. R. L. Fox, 8 miles north of town, having had a separator burn up within the past few weeks.

Council Is Busy

Two Council meetings were held this week, one on Tuesday and another on Thursday. At the latter meeting a number of accounts were read and approved. It was agreed to call for tenders for the repair of the roof of the Fire Hall, which is in a very leaky condition, although it is only eighteen months built. Licenses for the new shooting gallery and bowling alleys were approved.

A long bylaw was passed establishing a pound here, and laying penalties for having cattle, horses, and various animals and fowls, wandering at large in the town. This bylaw comes into force immediately.

Bowling Alleys Opening

Today will see the opening of the two new bowling alleys at the Hub Pool Room and Cigar Store, Strathmore. Coinciding with the opening of the new alleys the building has been extended 30 feet and a full basement put in, the alleys being situated in the basement. A fine job has been made of the alleys, which have been laid under the direction of Mr. Arnold, who is an expert in this line. The construction of the basement and extension of the building has been done by Mr. Frank Bond, and he has made a good job of it. The whole building is well-lighted, a large number of gasolene-lit lights of the latest pattern being used.

Good bowling alleys have been a long-sought want in Strathmore, and the Hub should enjoy a large patronage. The other features of the Hub include one billiard and three pool tables, tobacco store and cigar stand, and a new and up-to-date soda-fountain. The ownership of the Hub is now vested in Mr. Reg. Henry, Mr. J. Hastings having sold out his interest in the business to him on Wednesday of this week. The enterprise displayed by the Hub deserves reward, and we hope to see it doing a roaring business.

Woman's Institute

The Institute met with Mrs. Anderson Saturday April 27, to elect officers for the coming year, as follows:—Pres. Mrs. J. W. Elliott, Vice-Pres. Mrs. C. Falkner, Sec. Mrs. F. W. Schellner. On May 31st Mrs. Thos. Buckner read a paper, "The World's Greatest Composers." The excellent manner in which the paper was read, and the evidences of calm thought and study given this interesting topic, made one to be appreciated and enjoyed by those who were fortunate enough to hear it. A full attendance is desired at the next meeting, May 18th, as Mrs. J. Elliott is leaving Strathmore, shortly, it will be necessary to choose another president. Come early, 3 sharp.

The Gleichen "Call" records that Town Councillor Clemens of Strathmore interviewed Gleichen Town Council last week re their water system.

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LOCAL JOTTINGS

It seems that we will have to employ the strong-arm method of getting water for some time yet.

When all is said and done, the pump affords a fine morning exercise, and by the motion its handlings imparts to the abdominal muscles is a sure preventative of corpulency. This is not one of Councillor McCulloch's arguments, but it is about as good as any of them.

The only question Strathmore people have about the park proposition is why was it not pushed ahead sooner. From Mr. Dennis' letter published in another column it will be seen that the proposition was first made in May 1910. In his letter also Mr. Dennis states that he "endeavored to interest" the Town Council last year. Mr. Dennis' letter was dated April 23. It was not taken up by the Council till May 7.

Mr. Frank Skene, of the firm of Hayden & Skene, was this week presented by his employees with a set of Linoges China, valued at \$150, on the occasion of his recent marriage and homecoming.

The Anglican Ladies' Aid held a very successful concert and social last night.

The good weather still continues.

The C.P.R. are asking prices on the erection of 300 sets of ready-made farm buildings this summer. This is good news for everybody.

The Maple Leaf shooting gallery, run in connection with the new billiard and pool hall, etc., is now open and doing a good business. It is good clean sport, and should be commended.

Strathmore baseball team played Langdon last night, but at the time of going to press we had not learned the score.

Mrs. Chas. Miller, of Ingersoll, Ont., is at present visiting her son, Mr. A. W. Miller, of the Rexall Drug Store.

Mr. Homer DeLine, of Toledo, Ohio, is paying a visit with Mr. Chas. Chase for a few weeks. Mr. DeLine is favorably impressed with the country, and expects to make it his future home.

The C.P.R. are extending their operations to Europe, and are having a series of observation cars built for use on the Australian State Railways through the Tyrol.

Strathmore district has been signally honored in the selection of fifty members for the Board of Control of the 1st Dry Farming Congress at Lethbridge. There are no less than three from this district, viz.: Professor Elliot, Messrs H. Sorenson and M. E. Sly.

In our article on "Farming by the Section," published in last issue, in the line which states "17 sections at Calgary," read "Sedgewick" for "Calgary." It makes quite a difference.

Mr. J. C. Lackie, baker with Messrs Martin & Evans, left for his home at Wingham, Ont., this week, after twelve months in Strathmore. He is succeeded by C. E. Massey, of Leamington, Ont.

As will be seen from our advertising columns, Messrs Wm. Saar & Son have taken over the coal business formerly owned by Mr. H. A. Michaels.

Farmers are requested to attend the U.F.A. meeting this afternoon.

With the adoption of the new Rural Municipality Act, it is expected that Strathmore Local Improvement District will take advantage of it, as the formation of a rural municipality will be a great benefit to the district.

The preacher at Knox Presbyterian Church to-morrow evening will be Rev. Mr. Mahaffy, Calgary.

Capt. P. J. Daly is now back in Strathmore, after spending about ten days on his Sedgewick farm, where he has 1800 acres under cultivation.

The new telephone directories are now issued, and those wanting same should call at Central. As a particular favor it is asked that the card be kept whole, and not trimmed down, as was done with some of the last ones issued.

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